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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael Flanagan, Chairman 

SUBJECT: Approval of Criteria for Expansion Grants for Sponsoring Organizations of Day Care Homes

The purpose of the Expansion Grant is to expand the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) operations in day care homes in low-income or rural areas. This grant is an entitlement program from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). Eligible sponsoring organizations applying for expansion grants may receive a maximum of the USDA currently assigned administrative payment for up to fifty homes.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education approve the criteria for Expansion Grants for Sponsoring Organizations of Day Care Homes as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated March 26, 2007.

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Criteria for United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Expansion Grants for  
Sponsoring Organizations of Day Care Homes

The State Board of Education has adopted as its Strategic Goal "Attain substantial and meaningful improvement in academic achievement for all students/children with primary emphasis on high priority schools and students."

To the extent possible, all grant criteria and grant awards will serve to further attain the above goal.

**PRIORITIES, POLICIES, AND PROGRAMS THAT THESE CRITERIA SUPPORT**

This grant program advances two of the State Board of Education's strategic goal objectives of (1) identify and support practices, systems and programs that sustain the social, mental, physical and emotional growth of all students; and (2) assure the efficient and effective implementation of federal and state programs.

**BACKGROUND/PURPOSE OF GRANT**

☐ Competitive    ☒ Formula    ☐ New    ☐ Continuation    (check all that apply)

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**CRITERIA**

Date criteria were last approved        New    

☒ Defined in Legislation    ☐ Defined in Department's Approved Grant Application to the Funder    ☐ Proposed by Staff

public status or tax exempt status under the Internal Revenue Code of 1985  
an organizational history of managing funds and ongoing activities (i.e.,  
administering public or private programs);  
an acceptable and realistic plan for recruiting day care homes to participate in the  
CACFP (such as the method of contacting providers), which may be based on  
estimates of the number of day care homes to be recruited and information  
supporting their existence, and in the case of sponsoring organizations applying for  
expansion payments, documentation that the day care homes to be recruited are  
located in low-income or rural areas; and  
an acceptable preliminary sponsoring organization management plan including, but  
not limited to, plans for preoperational visits and training.

**ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS/TARGET POPULATION TO BE SERVED BY GRANT**

Expansion funds will be made available to sponsoring organizations which initiate or expand CACFP operations in day care homes in low-income or rural areas.

**TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE**

This grant is an entitlement program from United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). Eligible sponsoring organizations applying for expansion grants may receive a maximum of the USDA currently assigned administrative payment for up to fifty homes.

**LEGISLATION**

United States Department of Agriculture 7 CFR Part 226.12 (b)(1) and Public Law - 109-97

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